

SENATE BILL 3415

By Marrero

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 44,  
relative to spay and neuter.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 44-17-503(a), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a) If the dog or cat being adopted has not been spayed or neutered, the agency shall require a deposit of not less than thirty (\$30.00) from the new owner prior to the adoption in order to ensure that the dog or cat is spayed or neutered. The new owner may request and shall receive a refund of the deposit from the agency upon providing confirmation of the spaying or neutering.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.